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COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IMPROVED  
IN FIRST QUARTER OF 1949

The Minister of Communications has made the following report on the first-quarter 1949 quota of the 1949 - 1950 People's Economic Program:

<u>Postal Facilities</u>	<u>Planned</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Completion of Year Plan (in percent)</u>
Post-office buildings	3	10	333.3	40
Extension of delivery route (in km)				
Railroads	678	839.1	132.1	123.8
Roads	40	152.9	382	21.6
<u>Rural Communication Facilities</u>				
Telephone and telegraph offices	3	5	166.7	22.7
Telegraphic machines installed (sounder)	3	9	300	14
Telephone and telegraphic wire circuits	1	3	300	15
<u>City Communication Facilities</u>				
City cable extension (in km)	75	118.2	157.6	8.7
Expansion of printing shops	1	1	100	100
Expansion of clothing shops	1	1	100	100%

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	<u>Planned</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Completion of Year Plan (in percent)</u>
Warehouses [erected]	50	70	140	70%
Construction capital (in 1,000 won)	50	70	140	31.8

In addition to the above accomplishments, the following achievements were reported by the minister:

1. Repaired six control switch stations serving rural communities, thus increasing the service 120 percent.
2. Repair work on compound [?] automatic telephone stations increased 150 percent.
3. Repair work on automatic switchboards of more than 100 circuits increased 142 percent, and repairs on switchboards of less than 100 circuits increased 100 percent.
4. Repair work on manually operated telephones increased 562 percent and on dial telephones, 103.8 percent.
5. Extension of alternate rural cable increased 514 percent.
6. Extension of ordinary rural line increased 10.3 percent.
7. Placement of telephone poles increased 13.5 percent.
8. Telephone exchange offices in municipalities increased 2 percent.
9. Telephone exchange facilities increased 1.4 percent.

Reports from various localities showed the following additional achievements:

1. Increase of one circuit line between Pyongyang and Kangso, 393,358 [sic] kilometers.
2. Increase of rural telegraph and telephone lines, 97,936 [sic] kilometers.
3. New cables in Municipalities increased 13,151 kilometers.
4. New rural alternate cable increased 54,760 kilometers.

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